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Case Docket No: TA-00455

Date: January 2, 2004

In re application of
Inventor: **Ross A. Benson, et al.**

Serial No.: **09/973,208**

Filed: **10/09/2001**

For: **Co-Bonded Joint With Z-Pins**

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application

X No additional fee is required

The fee has been calculated as shown below.

CLAIMS AS AMENDED						
(1)	(2) CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT	(3)	(4) HIGHEST NO. PRE- VIOUSLY PAID FOR	(5) PRESENT EXTRA	(6) RATE	(7) ADDITIONAL FEE
TOTAL CLAIMS	21	MINUS	21	0	X \$18/9	
INDEPEN- DENT CLAIMS	3	MINUS	4	0	X \$84/42	
TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT:						

If the entry in column 2 is less than the entry in Column 4, write "0" in Column 5.

*If the "highest Number Previously Paid For: IN THIS SPACE is less than 20, write "20" in this space.

**If the "Highest Number Previously Paid For" IN THIS SPACE is less than 3, write "3" in this space.

X Please return the enclosed self-addressed postcard to the undersigned, properly date stamped, upon receipt of the enclosure.

x The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment to Account No. 50-0259(0408RF.045511) Bracewell & Patterson.

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